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SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE TO CHARTER AIR CARRIER

REF: STATE 273640

IN RESPONSE REFTTEL EMBOFF CALLED CAPT. PAUL O. THAHL AND DISCUSSED HAJJ CONTRACT OF EASTERN AIRCRAFT SERVICES, LTD. OF MIAMI BEACH. THAHL REPORTED NIGERIAN PILGRIM BOARD HAD CONTRACTED WITH SEVERAL CHARTER AIR CARRIER FOR HAJJ AND NO LONGER REPEAT NO LONGER REQUIRE SERVICES OF EASTERN AIRCRAFT SERVICES LTD. EMBOFF MADE POINT THAT EASTERN SIGNED PRESUMABLY VALID CONTRACT WITH NIGERIAN PILGRIM BOARD AND HAS MOBILIZED RESOURCES TO FULFILL CONTRACT IN GOOD FAITH. THAHL SAID HE SYMPATHIZED WITH EASTERN BUT PILBRIM BOARD CONTRACTED WITH SEVERAL QUOTE MAJOR UNQUOTE CHARTER COMPANIES IN ADDITION SEVERAL SMALLER FIRMS AND BELIEVED SOME OF THESE SMALLER FIRMS WOULD NOT IN FACT PROVE AVAILABLE. SUFFICIENT AIRCRAFT SERVICES NOW AVAILABLE IN NIGERIA. THAHL STATES THAT ALTHOUGH HE IS NOT CERTAIN PRECISE LEGALITIES HIS POSITION, EASTERN MAY QUOTE CONSIDER CONTRACT TERMINATED UNQUOTE. THAHL SAYS HE RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM EASTERN 430 (UNNAMED) THIS MORNING TO WHOM HE EXPLAINED THE FOREGOING AND PROMISED TO CONSIDER EASTERN FOR UPCOMING CHARTER AIR SERVICES REQUIRED.

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